

Newport Man Arrested for Felony Assault- Newark

Newark- The Delaware State Police have arrested 41-year-old **Matthew Hensley** of Newport for felony assault.

On June 29, 2020, at approximately 9:35 p.m., troopers responded to 4651 Ogletown Stanton Rd., Newark, for a reported assault. Upon arrival, troopers made contact with the 62-year-old victim of Wilmington. It was determined the victim is the facilities worker at Wawa and was taking the trash out to the dumpster when he observed Hensley panhandling in the Wawa parking lot. The victim advised Hensley to leave the property when a verbal argument ensued. The argument escalated, and Hensley picked up a glass bottle and threw it at the victim, striking him in the head, causing a small laceration above the right ear. Hensley then fled the area on foot and was located nearby at a DART bus stop. Hensley was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 6, where he was charged with Assault 2nd Degree (felony).

Hensley was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court and committed to Howard R Young Correctional Institution on a \$2,500.00 cash bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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